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A method of notifying an operator of an event with respect to a hard copy output engine includes detecting a status of a portion of the hard copy output engine from a sensor incorporated in the hard copy output engine and displaying, in response to detecting, a graphical user interface. The graphical user interface includes information describing the portion and the status, and includes a set of user-selectable options. The set of user-selectable options includes dismissal of the graphical user interface, assistance in ordering consumables or services identified by the graphical user interface, deferment of action with respect to the consumables or services identified by the graphical user interface for a user-selectable interval and inhibiting further displaying of the graphical user interface.